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TC 1700 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent	t Application of)		
Hisashi HO	OTTA ·	Group Art Unit: 1752		
Application No.: 09/826,888)		Examiner: C. Hamilton		
Filed: April 6, 2001		Confirmation No.: 3377		
For: PL	ANOGRAPHIC PRINTING PLATE))		
	REQUEST FOR CONTIN			
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Sir:				
	plicant(s) requests continued examination 00 (2801) [X] \$770.00 (1801) fee due un	under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the der 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).		
1. [X] A.	Applicant(s) requests that any previous entered. Continued examination is redidentified in item 2 below.	sly unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be quested based on the enclosed documents		
[] B.	examination is requested:	following documents for which continued y under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _		
	[] Consider the arguments in the A	appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _		
	[] Other:			
2. The [X] [] [] [X] []	e following documents are enclosed with Amendment/Reply. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s). Information Disclosure Statement (IDS Petition for Extension of Time. Other:			
3. []	Small entity status is hereby claimed.			

The fee is calculated below on the basis of the highest number of claims already paid

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No additional claim fee is required.

for in this application prior to this submission:

CLAIMS							
	No. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS THUS PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	Fee		
Basic Fee					\$770.00 (1001)		
Total Claims	21	MINUS 21 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =			
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$86.00 (1201) =			
If multiple dépendent	claims are p	resented, add \$290.	00 (1203)				
Total Fee							
If small entity status is	s claimed, su	btract 50% of Total	Fee				
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$770		

4.	[X]	A check in the amount of \$	1,190	is enclosed for the fe	ee due.
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- 5. [] Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
- 6. [] Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least _, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated July 1, 2003 and the Advisory Action dated October 3, 2003 and in view of the Request for Continued Examination concurrently filed herewith, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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